Mobile Apps for Higher Ed

(these apps may be downloaded from the App Store or Google Play)

Evernote*

Evernote is a cross-platform note-taking tool that can capture text, images, audio, and locations as notes. It allows sharing of notes, which means students can share their geotagged notes with the instructor, which can be useful for field assignments.

StudyBlue*

StudyBlue is a cross-platform flashcard app that allows students to study and recall basic information wherever they are. Instructors can create flashcards for their students, or students can independently or collaboratively create flashcards themselves.

D2L Mobile

If students visit D2L on a mobile device, they will be redirected to a mobile version of D2L. The functionality is limited, but it allows users to view Content, see News and Calendar items, and post to Discussions.

iDePaul

iDePaul is DePaul University's official mobile app, providing directions to campus buildings, contact information, and events and news. If students log in, they can see a map to the buildings their classes are in and basic information on Discussions and Dropboxes from D2L.

Google Drive*

Store files in your Google Drive account to access them through the app. You can also collaborate on Google Docs in real time through the app.

Dropbox*

This is another option for storing and syncing files between devices, which can be accessed through a mobile app.

Poll Everywhere*

Poll Everywhere is one of several classroom response systems based on students' own mobile devices. It is unique in that it allows students to use text messages to respond if they don't have an internet-connected device. Poll Everywhere can be integrated into a PowerPoint slide such that student responses to your questions appear on the slide in real-time. Free accounts allow 40 responses per poll.

Understood It*

UnderstoodIt is another classroom response system, similar to Poll Everywhere. It also has a real-time tracking system where students can indicate (yes or no) whether they understand your lecture. You can see, at a glance, how many students understand and how many are confused. Free accounts allow 5 polls per month.

Google Translate

Google Translate can translate to and from over 50 languages, using text input, audio input, or with a photo of the text.

Merriam-Webster

A dictionary reference on your phone.

Smart Tools/EasyMeasure

These apps use the smartphone's various sensors to take measurements, such as length, angles, distance, etc.

TED

Access any TED Talk via a mobile device.

Note: Only D2L Mobile and iDePaul are provided by the university. Other apps are available to the general public and subject to change without notice.

* Some apps charge a fee to you and/or students with higher usage.

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